EMBAJADA DE GUATEMALA

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Washington, D.C., Junio 26, 1954

Excelencia:

Tengo el honor de informar a Vuestra Excelencia que el Presidente de la República de Guatemala Coronel Jacobo Arbenz, tomó anoche la decisión de renunciar al alto cargo que desempeñaba, y que, al hacerlo así, entregó el mando al Jefe de las Fuerzas Armadas de Guatemala Coronel Carlos Enrique Díaz.

Al asumir las funciones del Poder Ejecutivo el Jefe de las Fuerzas Armadas manifestó que lo hacía en nombre y para bien de Guatemala y dejó constancia de que aceptaba tal encargo únicamente a causa de la grave situación de emergencia que atraviesa el país.

Le permitiré el honor de comunicar ulteriormente a Vuestra Excelencia la información relativa a la organización que dé el nuevo encargado del Poder Ejecutivo Coronel Carlos Enrique Díaz, al Gobierno provisional de la República.

Ruego a Vuestra Excelencia se sirva aceptar las seguridades de mi más alta consideración,

Excelentísimo Señor John Foster Dulles
Secretario de Estado,
Washington, D.C.

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Washington, D.C., June 28, 1954.

I have the honor to inform Your Excellency that Colonel Jacobo Arbenz, President of the Republic of Guatemala, decided last evening to resign his high position and that, on doing so, he turned his office over to Colonel Carlos Enrique Díaz, Chief of the Armed Forces of Guatemala.

On assuming the duties of Chief Executive, the Chief of the Armed Forces stated that he was doing so on behalf and for the good of Guatemala, and he made it clear that he was accepting the position only because of the grave emergency situation with which the country is confronted.

I shall have the honor to communicate to Your Excellency at a later date information on the Provisional Government of the Republic formed by the new Chief Executive, Colonel Carlos Enrique Díaz.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

/Signed/

His Excellency

John Foster Dulles,

Secretary of State,

Washington, D.C.

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